

AMERICAN INDIAN HERITAGE MONTH



Dancing 'Til Dawn



Welcome to the Native American Month

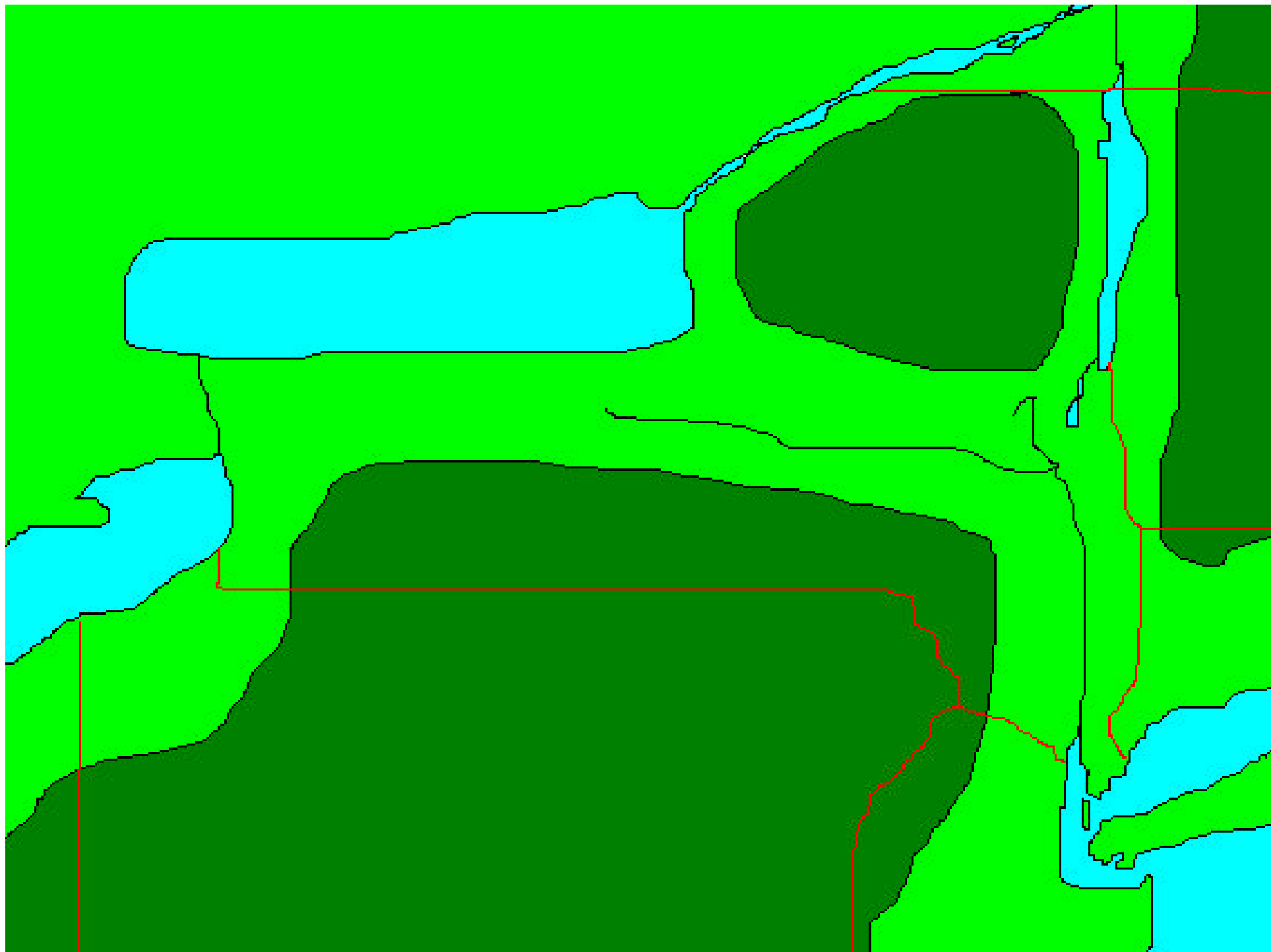
THEME: Many Contributions to **“ONE AMERICA”**

This is the month Native Americans that will be honored for their commitment to the **“ONE AMERICA”** The Native American Team wishes to take this time to remember the many men and women of all nations that lost their lives in World Trade Center on Sept 11, 2001. No one knows more about pain, hurt, and losing loved ones, liberty and rights than the Native Americans. As we recognize the Native American this month, we reflect on great people that have dedicated their lives to making this great nation of ours the **“ONE AMERICA”**. Across the United States Native American's we will recognize, celebrate and mention the many acts of bravery, strengths and gifts of talent that many Native Americans bring to the culture of this great Nation of ours. The Native Americans share with all of us the beauty of their arts, of their songs, and the grace of their culture and religion. They have distinguished themselves in the Arts and Sciences, Military Service, and in the many areas of the Federal Government, along with the world of sports to the commerce. During the month of November let's all remember the great leaders, men and women that sacrificed their lives to the great cause of **“ONE AMERICA.”**



America's Native American Cultural Legacy

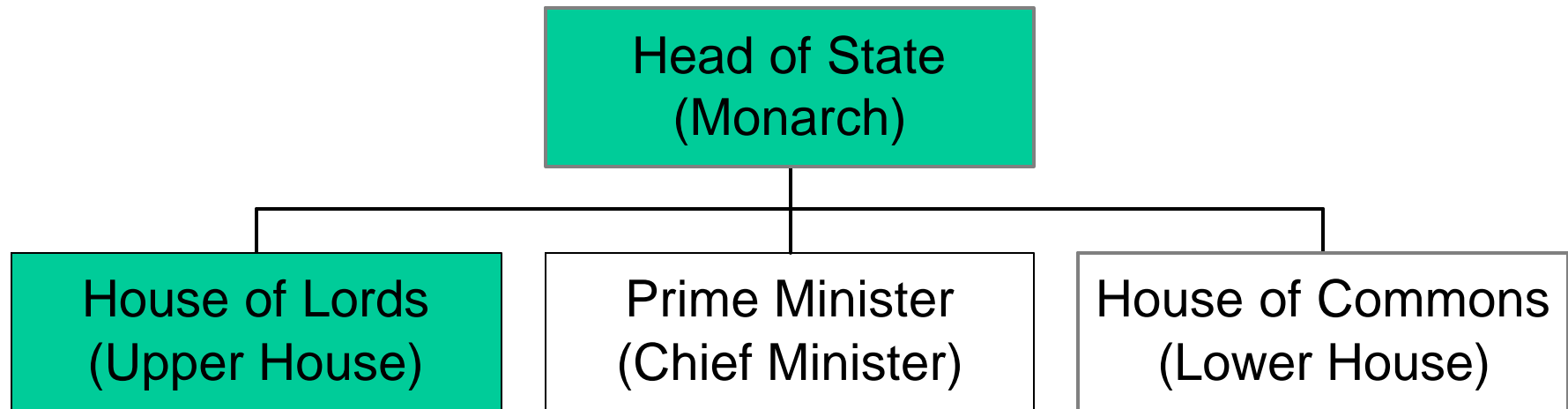
Federal Government,
Bill of Rights, &
a “Free Government”





Traditional Parliamentary System

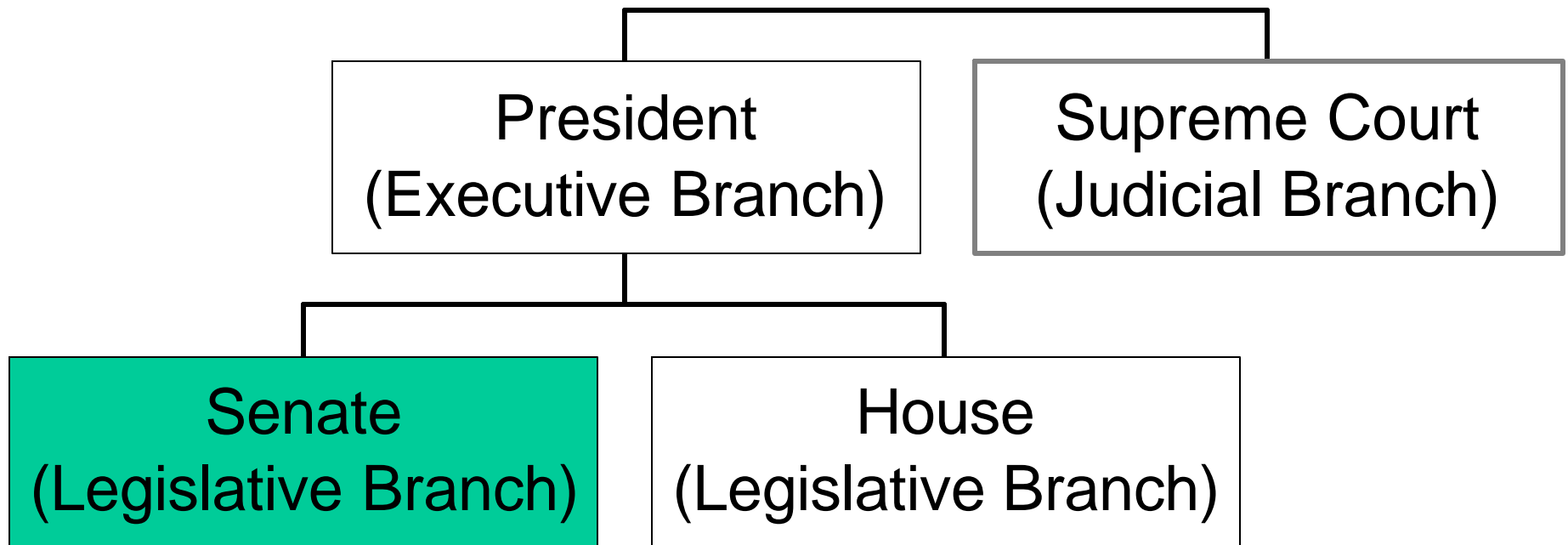
English Parliament
(No Written Constitution)





American System

U.S. Government
(U.S. Constitution)





Iroquois Confederation

Common Council
(Gayanashagowa: The Great Binding Law)

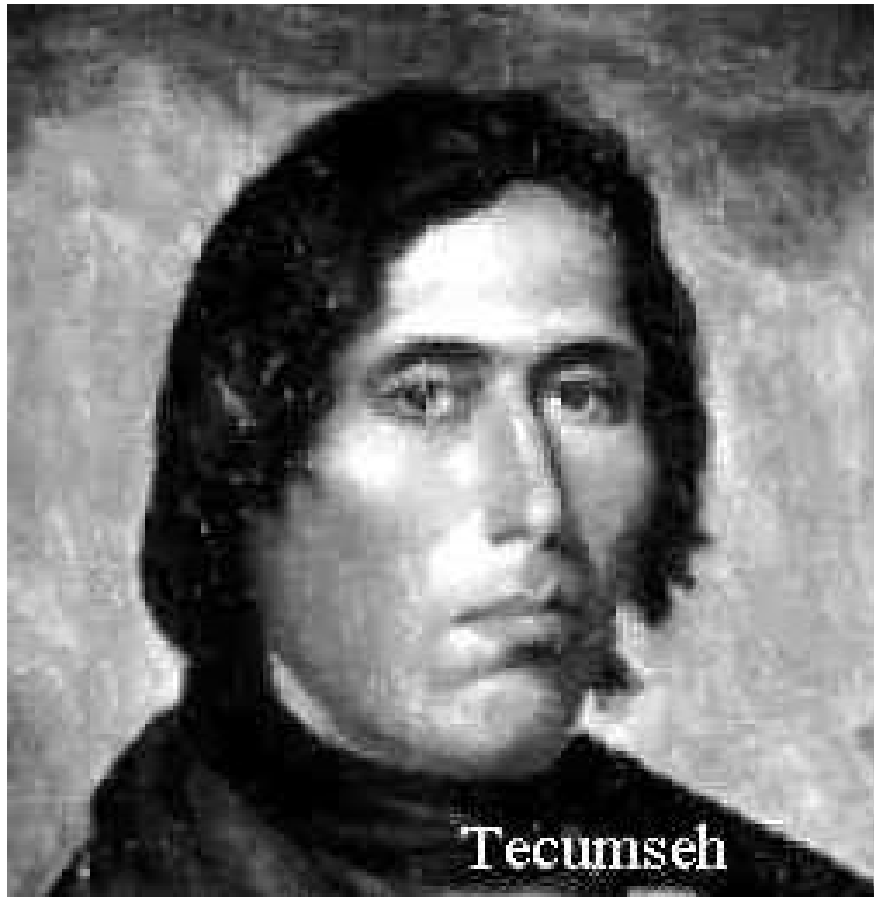
Mohawk (9) & Seneca (8)
Initial Discussion

Oneida (9) & Cayuga (10)
"Younger Brothers"

Onondaga (14)
Host, 'President', & Voice of the Nation



Tecumseh



“So live your life that the fear of death can never enter your heart.

Trouble no one about their religion; respect others in their view, and demand that they respect yours. Love your life, perfect your life, beautify all things in your life. Seek to make your life long and its purpose in the service of your people.”



James Madison



“... our free Government ... though slow
in its early movements, acquires, in its
progress, a force proportioned to its
freedom...”

State of the Union, 1813



Great American Chiefs

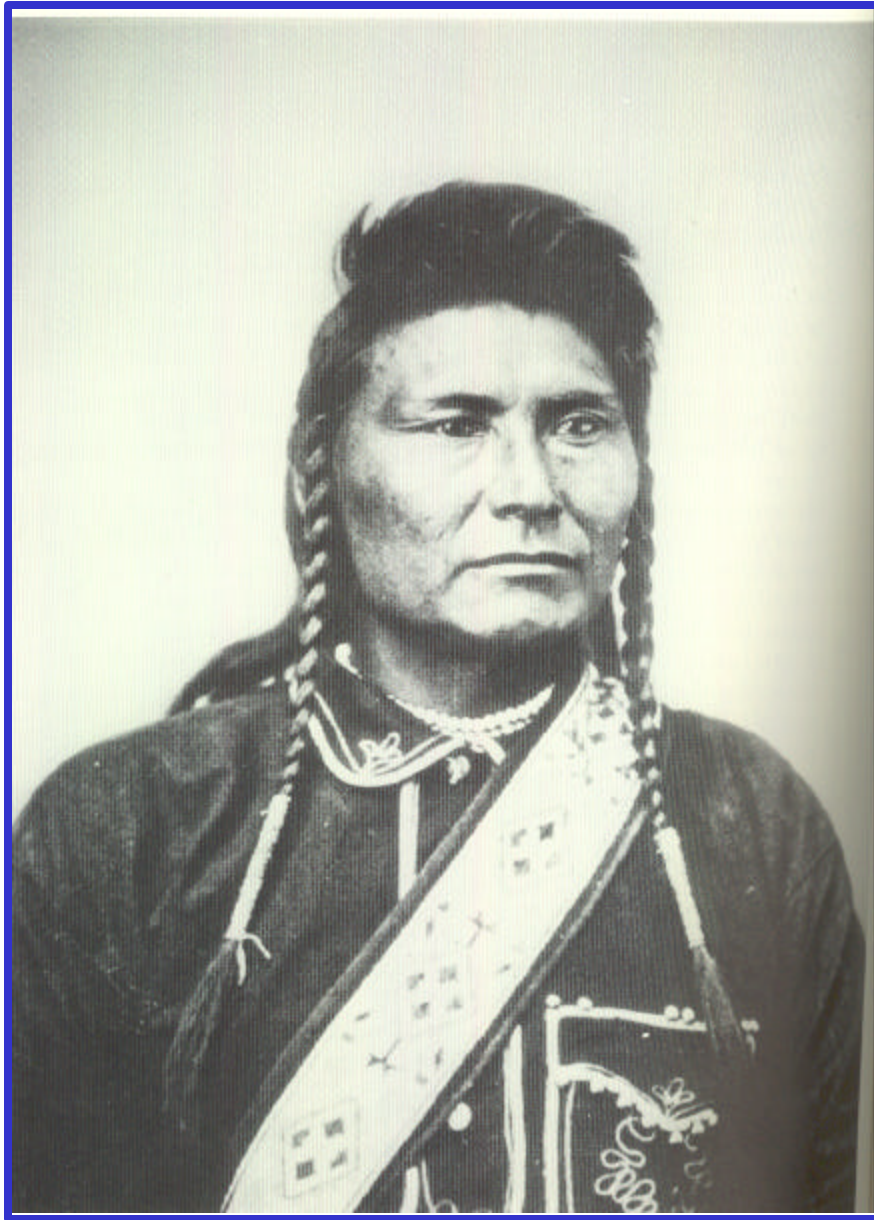


Chief Joseph of the Nez Perce tribe, once said, "Do not misunderstand me, but understand me fully with reference to my affection for the land".

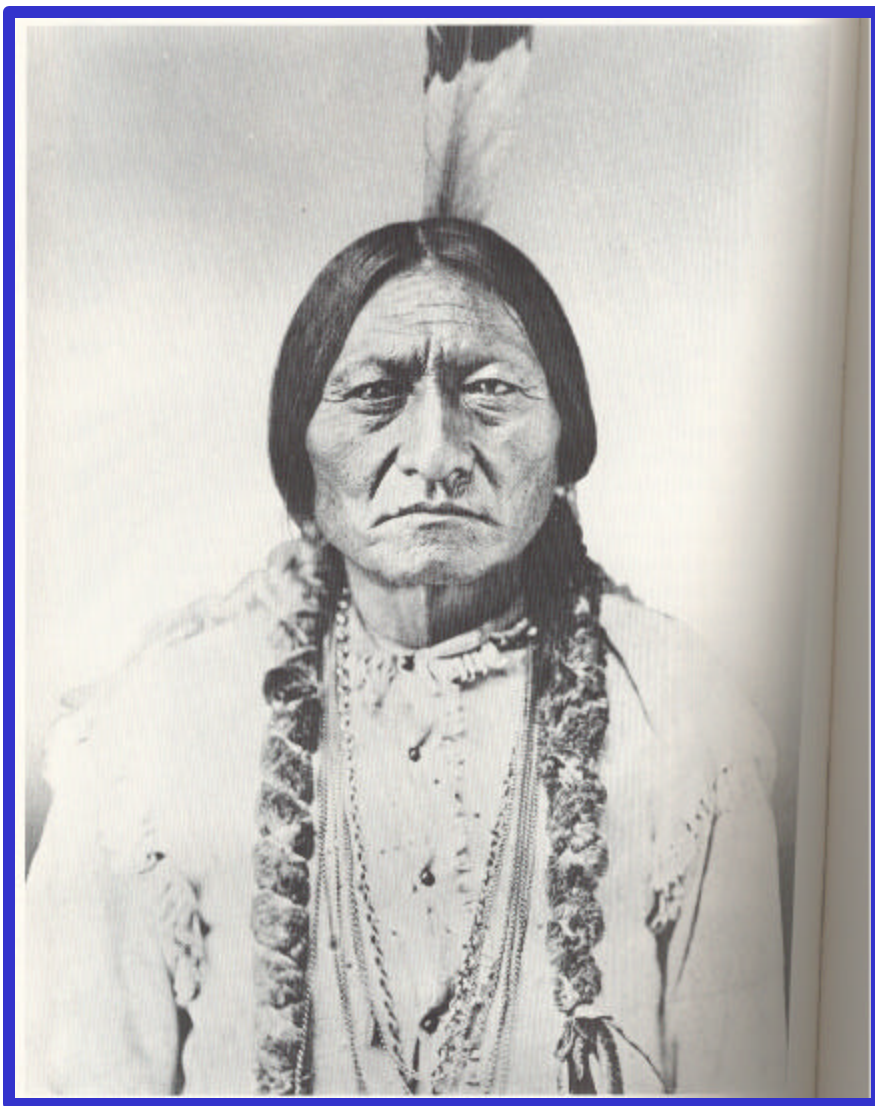
"I never said the land was mine to do with as I choose. The one who has the right to dispose of it is the one who has created it I claim a right to live on my land and accord you the privilege to live on yours."



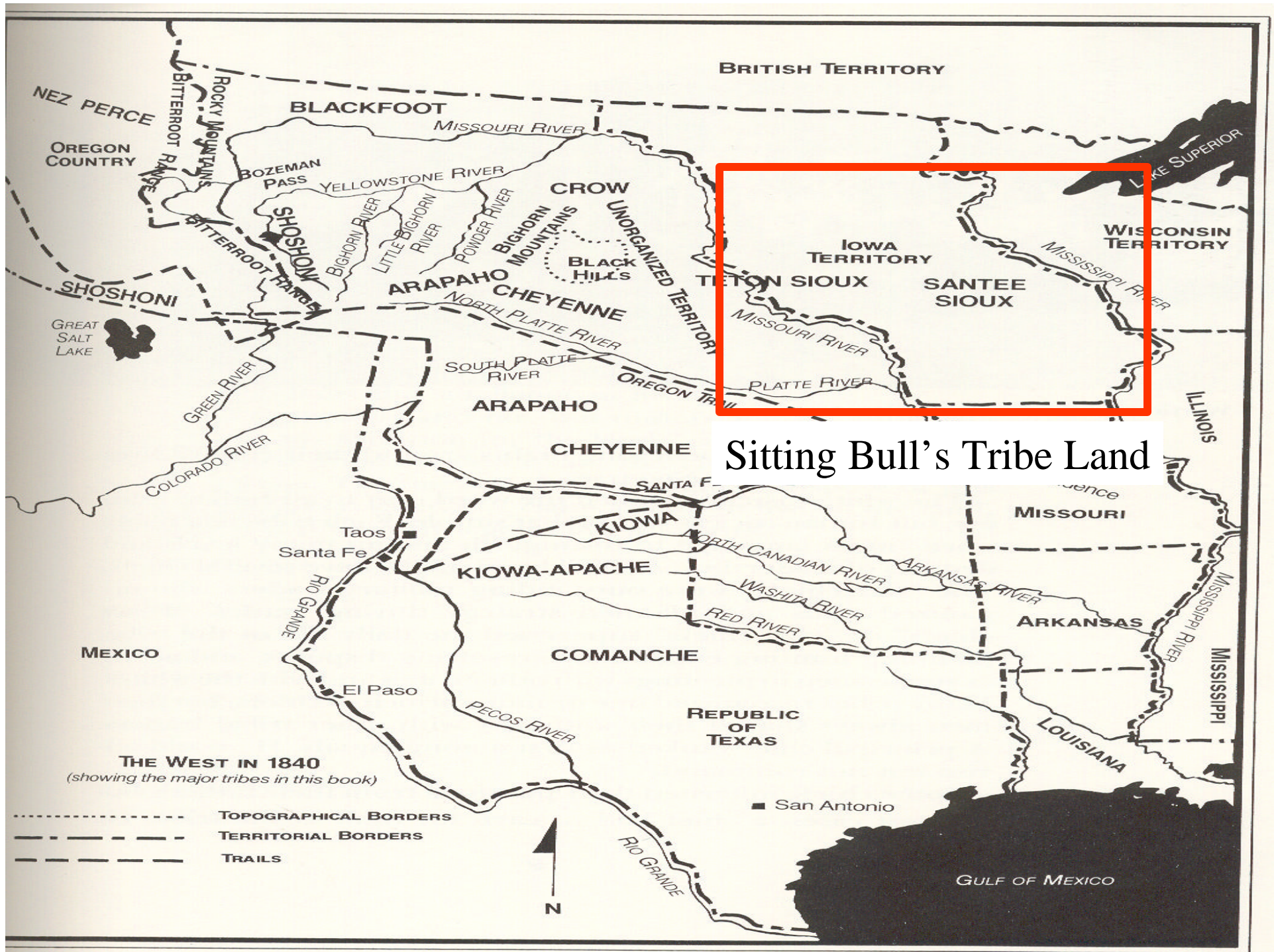
Chief Joseph was born in 1840 in the Wallowa valley the land of the winding waters, in northeastern Oregon , birthplace of his father and his ancestors. He was given the tribal name hinmahtoo yahlahket thunder rolling in the mountains. His father tuekakas, was known to the local whites as old Joseph, so they called his son young Joseph.



THIEF TREATY



Sitting Bull





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**American Indians
&
Warfare**

Principles of War



- **Objective**
- **Offensive**
- **Simplicity**
- **Unity of Command**
- **Mass**
- **Economy of Force**
- **Maneuver**
- **Surprise**
- **Security**

Principles of War

- **Objective:** Every military operation must be directed toward a decisive, obtainable objective. ⇒ The destruction of the enemy's armed forces and his will to fight is ultimate military objective.
- **Offensive:** Only offensive action achieves desired results.
- **Simplicity:** Simplicity must be applied to organization, methods and means.
- **Unity of Command:** Coordination by direction or cooperation.
- **Mass:** Maximum available combat power must be applied at point of decision.
- **Economy of Force:** Minimum essential means must be employed at points other than that of decision. ⇒ Limited attacks, defense, deception or retreat at noncritical points.
- **Maneuver:** Maneuver is used to alter relative combat power.
- **Surprise:** May decisively shift the balance of combat power.
- **Security:** Prevents surprise, preserves freedom of action, allows employment of forces / weapons / power most effectively.

Famous Battles and Leaders

- **Fight on the Powder River - 1865**
- **Wagon Box Fight - 1867**
- **Little Big Horn - 1876**
- **Wounded Knee - 1890**

- **Chief Joseph**
- **Geronimo**
- **Chief Crazy Horse**
- **Roman Nose**

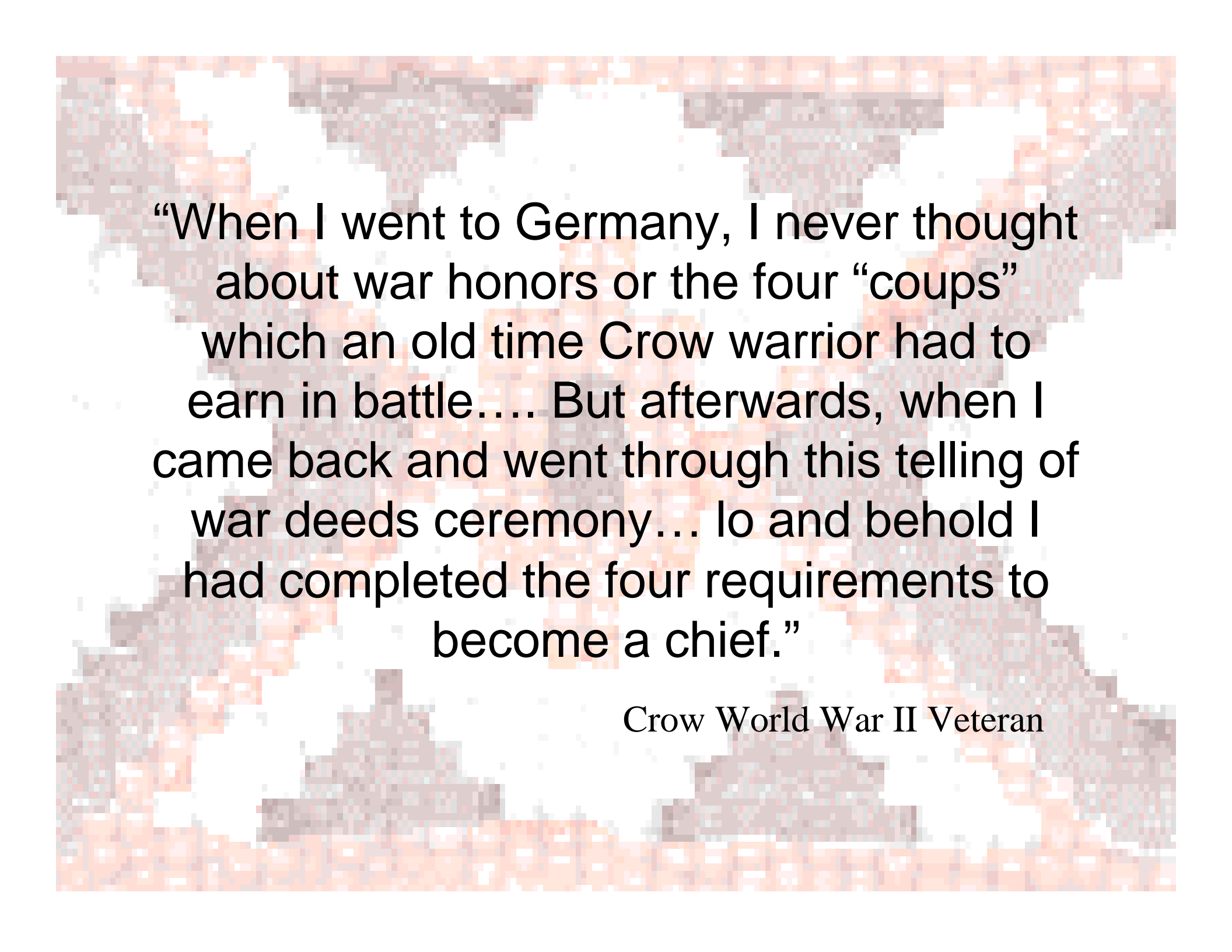
Medal of Honor Recipients

- 24 Native Americans have received Medal of Honor
- Vietnam War: Spc 4 Alfred Rascon
- Korean War:
 - Pfc Charles George
 - Capt Raymond Harvey
- World War II:
 - Cdr Ernest E. Evans
 - 2nd Lt Ernest Childers
 - 2nd Lt Van T. Barfoot
 - Pfc John N. Reese, Jr.
 - 1st Lt Jack C. Montgomery



“We honor our veterans for their bravery and because by seeing death on the battlefield they truly know the greatness of life.”

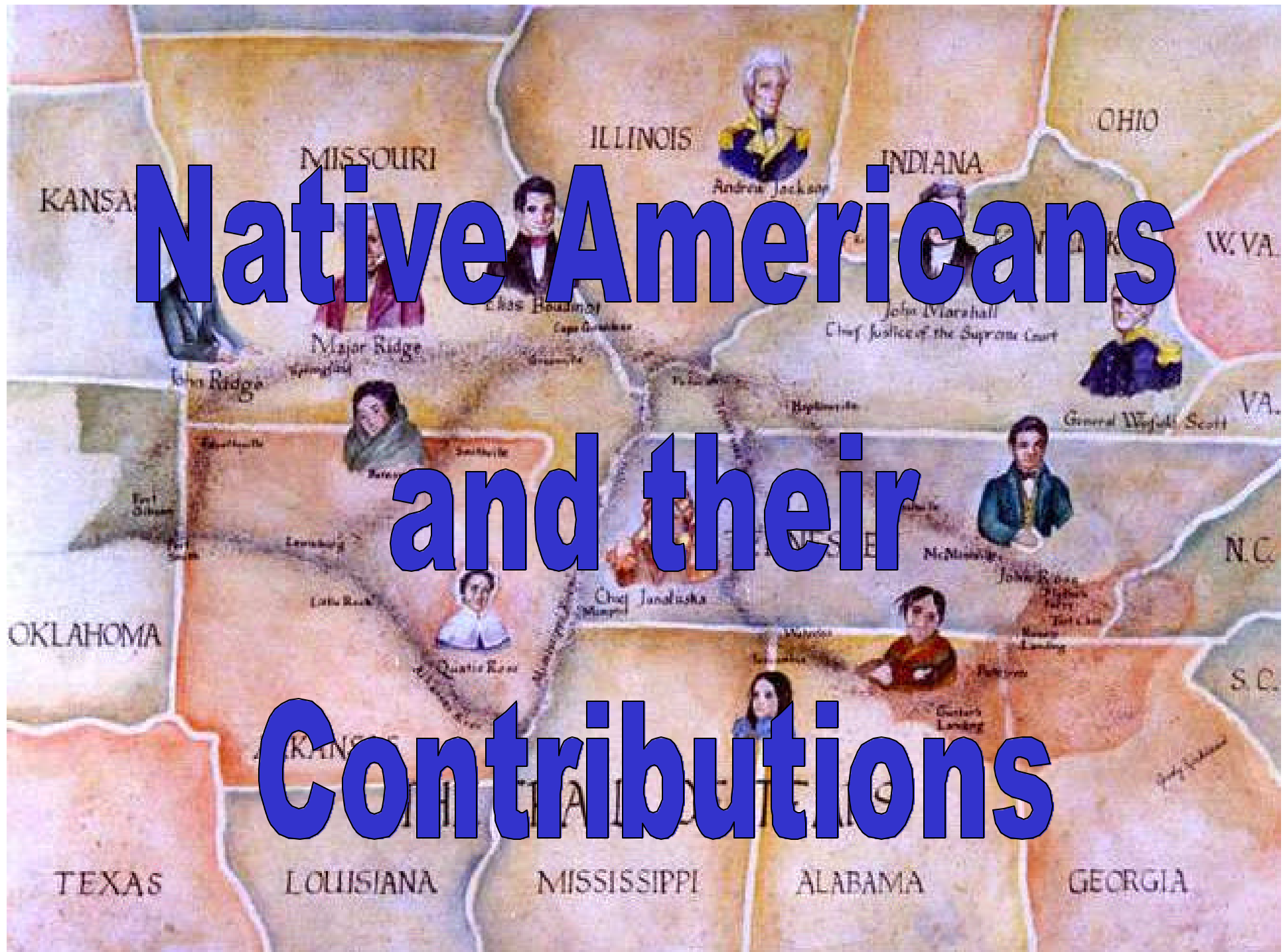
Winnebago Elder



“When I went to Germany, I never thought about war honors or the four “coups” which an old time Crow warrior had to earn in battle.... But afterwards, when I came back and went through this telling of war deeds ceremony... lo and behold I had completed the four requirements to become a chief.”

Crow World War II Veteran

Native Americans and their Contributions





Fighting Chiefs



Crazy Horse



Geromino



Chief Joseph



Tell General Howard I know his heart. What he told me before, I have it in my heart. I am tired of fighting. Our Chiefs are killed; Looking Glass is dead, Ta Hool Hool Shute is dead. The old men are all dead. It is the young men who say yes or no. He who led on the young men is dead. It is cold, and we have no blankets; the little children are freezing to death. My people, some of them, have run away to the hills, and have no blankets, no food. No one knows where they are - perhaps freezing to death. I want to have time to look for my children, and see how many of them I can find. Maybe I shall find them among the dead. Hear me, my Chiefs! I am tired; my heart is sick and sad.

From where the sun now stands I will fight no more forever.



NAVAIR Serving our Military



Navajo and Comanche



Choctaw

Military Code Talkers

NAVAIR **Serving our Navy**

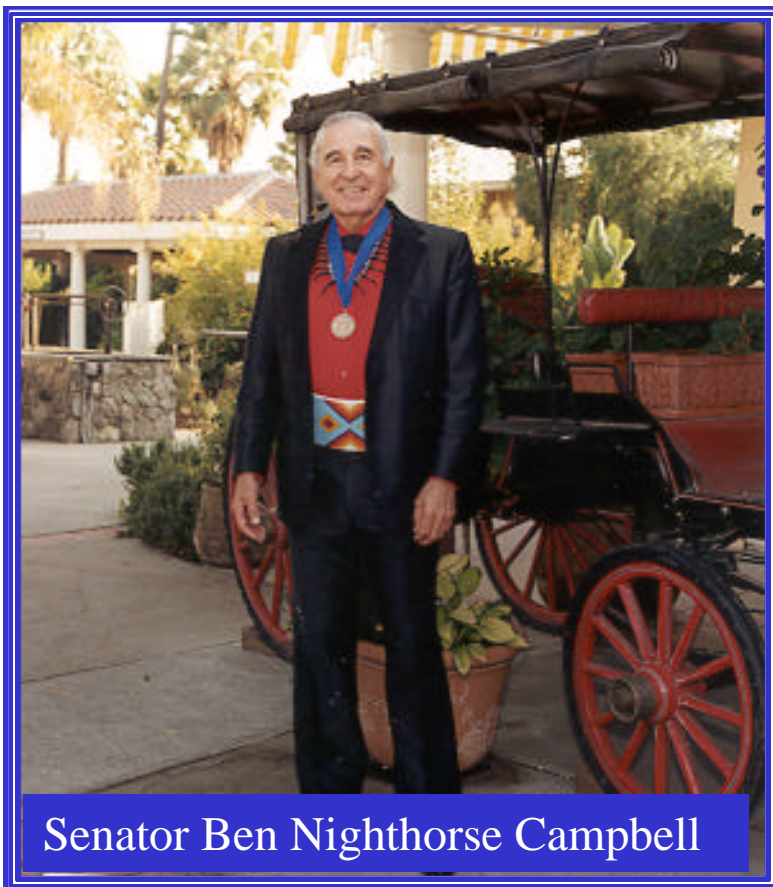


John Bennett Harrington
Commander, USN
NASA First Native American Astronaut

- Master's Aeronautical Engineering from the U.S. Naval Postgraduate School
- Attended the U.S. Naval Test Pilot School in Patuxent River, Md.
- Assigned to NASA in April 1996.
- Served as a member of the Astronaut Support Personnel team responsible for Shuttle launch preparations and post-landing operations.



NAVAIR **Serving our Government**



Senator Ben Nighthorse Campbell

- **Senator from Colorado**
- **Senior Campbell is the only American Indian presently serving in the United States Senate and is one of 44 Chiefs of the Northern Cheyenne Tribe.**
- **Senator Campbell was elected to the U.S. Senate November 3, 1992, and again on November 3, 1998**
- **Senator Campbell is the first American Indian to chair the Indian Affairs Committee.**
- **Senator Campbell is a member of five key Senate Committees:**
 - **Indian Affairs Committee**
 - **Energy and Natural Resources Committee**
 - **Veteran's Affairs Committee**
 - **Environment and Public Works Committee**
 - **Chairs the Helsinki Commission**



Native American in WWII





Lest we forget...

